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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-920, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 16, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 16-920.01; RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 16-920, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 16-920. Permitted expenditures by corporations and labor
5 organizations

6 A. Expenditures for the following purposes shall not be construed to
7 be political contributions prohibited by law:

8 1. Communications by a corporation to its stockholders and executive
9 or administrative personnel and their families, or by a labor organization to
10 its members and their families, on any subject.

11 2. Nonpartisan registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns by a
12 corporation aimed at its stockholders and executive or administrative
13 personnel and their families or by a labor organization aimed at its members
14 and their families.

15 3. The establishment, administration and solicitation of voluntary
16 contributions to a separate segregated fund to be utilized for political
17 purposes by a corporation, labor organization, membership organization, trade
18 association, cooperative or corporation without capital stock.

19 4. The establishment, administration and solicitation of voluntary
20 contributions from employees of a corporation or limited liability company,
21 including contributions made by payroll deduction, deposit or transfer or
22 other similar method, and that are made directly to a separate segregated
23 fund that is used for political purposes by a trade association of which the
24 employing corporation or limited liability company is a
25 member. Contributions received under this subsection shall be reported
26 pursuant to section 16-915, subsection A, paragraph 2, subdivision (a) or
27 subsection E.

28 5. EXCEPT FOR MEASURES IN CITIES, TOWNS AND COUNTIES AS PRESCRIBED IN
29 SECTION 16-920.01, contributions for use to support or oppose an initiative
30 or referendum measure or amendment to the constitution.

31 B. A membership organization, trade association, cooperative or
32 corporation without capital stock may engage in the activities permitted in
33 SUBSECTION A, paragraphs 1 and 2 ~~of subsection A~~ of this section if such
34 activities are directed toward its members, stockholders or members of its
35 members, its and its members' executive or administrative personnel, and
36 their families.

37 Sec. 2. Title 16, chapter 6, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
38 amended by adding section 16-920.01, to read:

39 16-920.01. Limitation on corporate contributions; local ballot
40 measures

41 IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A CORPORATION TO CONTRIBUTE MORE THAN THE FOLLOWING
42 AMOUNTS FOR USE TO SUPPORT OR OPPOSE A CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY INITIATIVE OR
43 REFERENDUM MEASURE:

44 1. FOR A CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY MEASURE IN A CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY WITH A
45 POPULATION OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PERSONS OR MORE, TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

46 2. FOR A CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY MEASURE IN A CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY WITH A
47 POPULATION OF LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PERSONS, FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.